

# SRSA 1<sup>st</sup> Council Meeting, San Antonio, TX

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**February, 7, 2016**

## **MINUTES**

1. Call to Order (Dr. Kenneth Robinson, SRSA President):

- Meeting convened at 8:41 am
- In attendance: Drs. Robert Zabawa, Doug Smith, Kenneth Robinson, John Green, James Bukenya, Marion Simons.

2. Approval of Minutes of Previous Meeting:

- Council discussed the minutes of the previous mid-year conference call meeting. The minutes were amended to show that Dr. John Green did not participate in the mid-year conference call.

Dr. Zabawa moved a motion to accept the minutes and was seconded by Dr. Smith. The motion passed and the minutes were accepted.

3. Treasurer's Report (Dr. James Bukenya):

- The treasurer submitted a print out of the current financial statement and indicated that there were no changes from the reported submitted at the mid-year meeting with the exception of \$20 membership fee received from a new member.
- Dr. Smith noted that he had mailed several checks collected from journal submission.

Dr. Smith moved a motion to accept the treasurer's report, seconded by Dr. Zabawa. The motion passed and the report was accepted.

4. Webmaster's Report (Dr. Smith):

- The webmaster reported that there were still challenges in accessing the website on the Auburn University server. Auburn administrators have issues with allowing someone who is not affiliated with the university to post materials on their network/server.
- The webmaster proposed for Council to consider subscribing to another host, such as Go Daddy, and move the site away from Auburn in the long-run.
- In the short-run, Dr. Zabawa volunteered to contact his Auburn colleagues, since he holds a joint appointment at Auburn, to see if they can give him access and permission to maintain and post material on the SRSA website.

Dr. Bukenya moved a motion to accept the treasurer's report and was seconded by Dr. Zabawa. The motion passed and the report was accepted.

5. Editor's Report (Dr. Smith):

- The interim editor observed that many of the members on the editorial committee are not responsive to requests, and suggested that there will come a time when he will drop members if they continue to be non-responsive.

6. The interim editor informed Council that there is one article published in the journal that was also published in another journal. The editorial team is in the process of reviewing the issue and most likely will drop the article from the journal.

Dr. Bukenya moved to accept the Journal Editors report and was seconded by Dr. Zabawa and the report was accepted.

7. Program Chair's Report:

- 54 papers and posters were received
- Several people from Kentucky State University have volunteered to help with registration and setting up for the conference.

Dr. Green moved to accept the report and was seconded by Dr. Smith and the report was accepted.

8. Award Chair's Report:

Excellent in Extension: Louie Rivers, Jr., J=Kentucky State University

Excellent in Research: Jin-Young Choi, Sam Houston State University

Professional Paper Award: Gray and Liebrand, USDA

There was one student who had submitted an abstract but did not follow up.

Dr. Marion moved to accept the report and was seconded by Dr. Green and the report was accepted.

9. Other Business:

- SAAS Meetings

Drs. Green and Smith agreed to attend and represent SRSA at the 2:30pm SAAS Board meeting on Sunday Feb. 7, 2016

Drs. Green and Zabawa agreed to attend and represent SRSA at the SSA Breakfast meeting on Tues. Feb. 9, 2016 at 7:00 am.

Dr. Smith moved a motion to adjourn and was seconded by Dr. Zabawa.

Meeting adjourned at 10:10 am.